

Department of State, having been referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee, with a quorum present, has voted on the nomination as follows—

1.) on the question of reporting the nomination favorably with the recommendation that the nomination be confirmed, 11 ayes to 11 noes; and

2.) In accordance with section 3, paragraph (1)(A) of S. Res. 27 of the 117th Congress, I hereby give notice that the Committee has not reported the nomination because of a tie vote, and ask that this notice be printed in the Record pursuant to the resolution.

ROBERT MENENDEZ.

### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. ROBERT MENENDEZ,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 22-0D. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 14-59 of December 11, 2014.

Sincerely,

JED ROYAL,  
(For James A. Hirsch, Director).

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 22-0D

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or Capability (Sec. 36(b)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Government of Greece.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 14-59; Date: December 11, 2014; Implementing Agency: Army.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) Description: On December 11, 2014, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 14-59 of the possible sale under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA) of ten (10) CH-47D Model Chinook Helicopters to include twenty-three (23) T55-GA-714A Engines (20 installed and 3 spares), twelve (12) AN/AAR-57 Common Missile Warning System (10 installed and 2 spares), twelve (12) AN/ARC-220 High Frequency (HF) Radios, twelve (12) AN/ARC-186 Very High Frequency (VHF) AM/

FM Radios, twelve (12) AN/ARC-164 Ultra High Frequency (UHF)-AM, twelve (12) AN/ARN 123 VOR ILS Marker Beacons, twelve (12) AN/ARN-89 or AN/ARN-149 Direction Finder Sets, twelve (12) AN/ASN-128 Doppler/Global Positioning System Navigation Sets, twelve (12) AN/ARC-201D or AN/ARC-201E VHF FM Homing Radios, twelve (12) AN/APX-118 Transponders, three (3) AN/APX-118A Transponders, twelve (12) AN/APR-39A(V)1 Radar Signal Detecting Sets, mission equipment, communication and navigation equipment, Maintenance Work Orders/Engineering Change Proposals (MWO/ECPs), aircraft hardware and software support, repair and return, spare and repair parts, publications and technical documentation, support equipment, minor modifications, personnel training and training equipment, U.S. government and contractor technical and engineering support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost was \$150 million. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$57.2 million of this total.

On February 5, 2021, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 0D-21, of the possible sale of an additional eight (8) T55-GA-714A engines in support of Greece's CH-47D helicopter fleet. This addition resulted in an increase in MDE by \$14 million to \$71.2 million. The total estimated case value increased to \$164 million.

This transmittal notifies the addition of a phased maintenance program and follow-on support services for the Hellenic Army's CH-47 helicopter fleet (non-MDE).

The total MDE value will remain \$71.2 million. The total estimated program value will increase by \$120 million to \$284 million.

(iv) Significance: The proposed sale will provide continued maintenance and support to the Hellenic Army's CH-47 helicopters, which are used for firefighting, search and rescue, disaster relief, humanitarian support, counter-terrorism, and combat operations.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a NATO ally, which is an important partner for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology: The Sensitivity of Technology Statement contained in the original notification applies to articles and services reported here.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: March 8, 2022.

### VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, on vote No. 72, the motion to invoke cloture on Maria Pagan to be a Deputy U.S. Trade Representative, it was my intent to vote yea.

### VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. KELLY. Madam President, on March 3, 2022, I missed vote No. 68, on S.J. Res. 38, a joint resolution relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020. Had I been in attendance, I would have voted no.

### VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. WARNOCK. Madam President, I have a profound reverence for life and an abiding respect for choice. I believe a patient's room is too small a place for a patient, her doctor, and the Fed-

eral Government. Healthcare decisions should be made by a patient in consultation with their doctor. It is important to me that every person, no matter race, gender, creed, or socioeconomic status, has access to affordable healthcare. This includes family planning and reproductive services. Regrettably, I was unable to cast my vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 139, H.R. 3755, Women's Health Protection Act, on February 28, 2022. Had I been present, however, I would have proudly voted yes to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 3755.

### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

#### REMEMBERING DR. STEPHEN J. SIMPSON

• Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a wonderful professor and man, Dr. Stephen—"Steve"—J. Simpson, of Frostburg, who died on February 21, 2022, of pancreatic cancer. Dr. Simpson taught and inspired generations of students at Frostburg State University—FSU—in a career there that spanned four decades. He was a widely respected scholar of the American Presidency and the intersection of media and politics.

Steve Simpson was born on October 10, 1951, in Abington, PA. He received his undergraduate degree from Dickinson College and his M.A. and Ph.D. in political science from Princeton University. Steve spent many years as FSU's dean of the college of sciences and provost and chief academic officer. While he excelled in these roles, his greatest enthusiasm was for being a professor of political science. He wasn't just an academic mentor to scores of students over the years; he was a life mentor who encouraged them to aim high in life as well as in school.

Steve was cheerful, kind, generous, and respectful to everyone whom he met and knew. He was a devoted son, brother, husband, uncle, and in-law to many members of an extended second family. He loved to discuss politics and play card games, especially pinochle with his mother-in-law Mary Morshead as his partner. He instilled in his nephews, John and David Simpson, a love of history and politics, which they have since passed on to their children. Steve loved to travel with his wife of nearly 30 years, Lisa Morshead. They traveled to Colonial Williamsburg, Sanibel Island, and Fort Myers for spring training. He could not shake his Pennsylvania roots entirely, so he was an avid Phillies, not Orioles, fan—but we won't hold that against him. His love of baseball extended to participating in fantasy leagues. He claimed he disliked pets but he loved and cared for three rescue cats and a dog. Steve had a big heart.

On behalf of the Senate, I would like to extend heartfelt condolences to

Steve's wife Lisa; his brothers William and Robert and their wives Brenda and Carolyn; his nephews John and David and their wives Laurie and Alison; the rest of his extended family and friends; and the FSU community. Henry B. Adams wrote, "A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." I hope that the family and friends who mourn Dr. Stephen Simpson's passing can find solace in the knowledge that he surely has affected eternity and his influence will continue to ripple far and wide among the students he so ably taught and inspired.●

#### RECOGNIZING THE NORTH DAKOTA GIRLS CLASS B BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS FROM KINDRED HIGH SCHOOL

● Mr. CRAMER. Madam President, last year I had the honor of congratulating two State championship teams from my alma mater, Kindred High School, in boys basketball in March and boys football in November.

Last week, it was the Kindred Vikings girls basketball team that took home the championship trophy at the North Dakota Class B State tournament, winning a third State title in just 6 years. These girls began their season with a win and kept on winning. They entered the tournament undefeated and after their last game were 23-0.

In their final game, the Vikings played last year's State champions, the Grafton Spoilers, dominating the game early and ending with a 64-40 win. This was the largest championship point margin of victory since 1991. Leading the team was senior guard Abby Duchscherer, who scored 25 points and 10 rebounds. She was also named Senior Athlete of the Year and Tournament MVP.

Having three State championship sports teams in a year, along with its overall general academic excellence, speaks highly of the quality of the Kindred Public School system. I commend all administrators, teachers, and staff, as well as the entire community for the role they play in supporting quality education.

For this basketball championship, however, it is the awesome young women on the team who deserve the greatest recognition. They are Charli McQuillan, Peyton Gette, Avery Bartels, Abigail Duchscherer, Kacie Burner, Lexi Ogren, Kristina Freier, Ana Freier, Laela Eisenschenk, McKenzie Schmitz, Avery Amerman, Terryn Johnson, Leah Rolland, Kennedy Bakko, and Tess Rohrbeck.

I congratulate the team, as well as Coach Sam Brandt, assistant coaches Tenille Bakko, Ashley Fahnhorst, Perry Piatz, and Danni Sanders and all the loyal fans on another Kindred Vikings State championship.

I join all North Dakotans in thanking each and every player on this team for inspiring us with your excellence. You continue to show us what can be

achieved by combining faith and passion with determination and teamwork.●

#### REMEMBERING STEPHANIE DENISE SHANNON

● Ms. DUCKWORTH. Madam President, I rise today to pay tribute to the remarkable life of Ms. Stephanie Denise Shannon, who passed away on September 8, 2021.

Stephanie was born March 24, 1986, in Detroit, MI, to her late father, William Everett Shannon, Sr., and her mother, Toni Laverne Shannon. Upon completing high school, Stephanie attended Wayne State University, where she pursued her passion for helping animals by studying veterinary science. To her close friends, she will be remembered as a kind and gentle spirit that loved video games and enjoyed watching a variety of films. Stephanie was not only a dedicated and loyal friend, daughter, and sister, but she was also a devoted mother to her son, Cason, whom she referred to as her "Prince" and her daughter, Madison, whom she referred to as her "Mini Me." The love and light that made so many love and appreciate Stephanie will be passed down and live through her incredible children. May her radiant and loving spirit be remembered by all those who knew her.●

#### TRIBUTE TO PYET DESPAIN

● Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to recognize the incredible performance and achievement from Kansas's own, Ms. Pyet DeSpain. Pyet took home the grand prize during FOX's inaugural "Next Level Chef" season and is officially the first Next Level Chef.

A native of Kansas City, KS, Pyet developed a passion for cooking while helping in the kitchens of her family's taquerias and restaurants. This passion for the kitchen led her to attend Le'Cole Culinaire to pursue a culinary education and career. A chef and an entrepreneur, Pyet started her own business, "Pyet's Plates," back in 2016 to promote her passion for wellness, nutrition, and healthy lifestyle choices. A lifetime of hard work and dedication to her craft has culminated into Pyet earning her Next Level Chef title and a hefty cash prize as a nice bonus.

The skills that Pyet developed throughout her time spent in kitchens across the country allowed her to succeed on the inaugural season of "Next Level Chef," and I am sure that the lessons learned from this season will help Pyet to develop into an even more talented chef, entrepreneur, and restaurant owner. I look forward to seeing how Pyet's passion for good food, healthy lifestyle choices, and respect for tradition will develop into future culinary endeavors.

I ask my colleagues now to join me in recognizing this outstanding achievement by Pyet DeSpain. She has

made her family, friends, community, and State incredibly proud, and we are all rooting for continued success throughout her career.●

#### TRIBUTE TO BARRY FEAKE

● Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to honor and recognize Barry Feaker of Topeka, KS. Barry has served the homeless and impoverished since 1986 as executive director of the Topeka Rescue Mission, TRM. He plans to step down from this position but continue to serve as strategic adviser.

TRM is a Christian organization that works with community partners to give shelter, meals, clothing, and other needed items to homeless and impoverished individuals. They do this by sharing the love of Jesus Christ with every person they encounter. Barry has served the Topeka community for 36 years. In April 1986, 15-20 homeless individuals were staying at TRM per night. By 2019, that number has grown to an astounding 200-300 people per night, a true testament to Barry's work and determination over the years.

As he finishes out his time as executive director of TRM, I hope he is able to reflect on the impact he has had on the Topeka Community. He not only expanded the services they provide and number of people working at TRM, but also increased TRM's annual budget from \$70,000 to \$5.3 million. Along with that, he increased operating one singular men's shelter, to two shelters, a warehouse, a distribution center, and a Children's Palace. Barry offers his role with excitement for what is ahead at TRM. He believes it is time for the next generation to take control. He believes that the job is not done and there are more people in need than ever. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the wonderful career of Mr. Barry Feaker and wish him nothing but joy and happiness in his next chapter of life.●

#### RECOGNIZING BURCHETT'S HEATING AND COOLING

● Mr. PAUL. Madam President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize the small business, Burchett's Heating and Cooling of Paintsville, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Rogell Burchett had a keen eye for business opportunities, which is why he opened Burchett's Heating and Cooling in 1978. As a gas company employee, he could not ignore all the new homes being built in his area when he knew there was little market for natural gas and furnace installations. So he started what was then a side venture called Burchett's Heating and Cooling. Rogell's vision and dedication allowed